REFERENCEIS)

A. MINI 2720, 20 Oct. 1960 B. FRAN 6697, 21 Oct. 1960

- A check of Bonn Base files on the individuals listed in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Reference A was negative.
- Embassy files contained no traces on any of the individuals except for the following carded information on Erich WICHMANN:
  - a. Card dated June 2/3, 1956 on the Presidium of Demokratischer Kulturbund Deutschlands (DKBD) meeting of June 2 and 3, 1956, /listed under the heading "Technical Groups Formed" the following: "WICHMANN, Erich - film."
    b. Card dated Jan. 28, 1953:

Demokratischer Kulturbund Deutschlands (Democratic Cultural Association of Germany): This organization underwent a revival at the end of 1952. It opened a new office in Bremen and embarked on a project of showing cultural films, apparently in imitation of the Consulate's public affairs program. It is headed by a well-known party member, Erich WICHMANN."

c. Card dated Feb. 24-25, 1951:

"FDJ Executive Committee Land Bremen, elected July 6, 1951. WICHMANN, Erich - Organization."

d. Card dated July 6, 1951 (CG Bremen office memo to HICOG)

"Date and place of birth: Feb. 16, 1925, Bremen Residence: Bremen, Katrepelerstr. 47
Vocation: Seminarist

WICHMANN, Erich has long been an active member of the FDJ. He applied in Bremen for a position as teacher but was, because of his intolerant Communist attitude, denied employment. Thereupon, WICHMANN applied for a teacher's job in the East Zone obviously without success as he is still living in Bremen."

e. Card dated Feb. 26, 1949.

Erich WICHMANN is listed as a member of the Governing Committee (Vorstand) of the Arbeitsgebietsleitung KPD, Bremen elected Feb. 26, 1949. This group of leaders is scheduled to consist of 26 members of whom the Bremen group elects 16 nominees.

3. It is believed that the Erich WICHMANN mentioned in each of the five cards above is one and the same person.

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